

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 LOME 02156 182124Z

61

ACTION AF-18

INFO OCT-01 EUR-25 EA-11 IO-14 ISO-00 SSO-00 NSCE-00

USIE-00 INRE-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-07 H-03 INR-11

L-03 NSAE-00 NSC-07 PA-04 RSC-01 PRS-01 SP-03 SS-20

AID-20 OMB-01 NIC-01 TRSE-00 EB-11 COME-00 CIEP-03

AGR-20 DRC-01 /186 W

----- 062265

O P 181800Z SEP 74

FM AMEMBASSY LOME

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 8259

INFO AMEMBASSY ABIDJAN PRIORITY

AMEMBASSY ACCRA PRIORITY

AMEMBASSY COTONOU PRIORITY

AMEMBASSY DAKAR PRIORITY

AMEMBASSY LAGOS PRIORITY

AMEMBASSY NIAMEY PRIORITY

AMEMBASSY OUAGADOUGOU PRIORITY

AMEMBASSY PARIS PRIORITY

AMEMBASSY SEOUL PRIORITY

USMISSION USUN NY PRIORITY

C O N F I D E N T I A L LOME 2156

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, TO, KS, KN

SUBJ: TOGOLESE GOVERNMENT'S BREAK WITH SOUTH KOREA

REF: (A) LOME 2137; (B) LOME 2050 (NOTAL)

1. I INVITED SOUTH KOREAN CHARGE HUH TO LUNCH ALONE TODAY TO GET HIS REPORT ON MEETING YESTERDAY WITH GOT FORMIN HUNLEDE (REFTEL A). HUH SAID HE WAS SUMMONED TO "MAISON DU RPT" SHORTLY BEFORE NOONTIME AND WAS RECEIVED BY HUNLEDE IN AN UPSTAIRS LOBBY.

2. HUNLEDE INFORMED HUH THAT RPT CENTRAL COMMITTEE HAD "DECIDED" CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 LOME 02156 182124Z

TO "BREAK RELATIONS" WITH ROK. HUNLEDE EXPLAINED THAT PRESENCE

OF FOREIGN TROOPS IN SOUTH KOREA DID NOT "FACILITATE REUNIFICATION."
(TODAY'S TOGO-PRESSE ACCOUNT VARIES SLIGHTLY IN REPORTING THAT
CENTRAL COMMITTEE HAD DECIDED TO "RECOMMEND" BREAK IN RELATIONS
AND THAT COMMITTEE VOTED "PRESENCE OF FOREIGN FORCES IN SOUTHERN
PART OF COUNTRY CONSTITUTES MAJOR OBSTACLE TO PEACEFUL REUNIFI-
CATION.") HUH INQUIRED RE EFFECTIVE DATE OF BREAK, AND HUNLEDE
REPLIED "ANYTIME". HUNLEDE SAID HUH COULD TAKE HIS TIME IN
LEAVING TOGO. HUNLEDE EXPRESSED PERSONAL REGRET AND SAID SEVERAL
TIMES HE WAS "DESOLE". HE FURTHERMORE WOULD ASSURE ROK HIGH-LEVEL
OFFICIAL AT UNGA THAT HUH HAD PERFORMED WELL HIS MISSION TO TOGO.

3. CHARGE HUH REQUESTED HUNLEDE TO ARRANGE 24-HOUR POSTPONEMENT
OF ANNOUNCEMENT TO GIVE HIM TIME TO COMMUNICATE WITH SEOUL.
HUNLEDE SAID HE COULD NOT MAKE THIS DECISION AND WOULD HAVE TO
SEE PRESIDENT EYADEMA. (BOTH RADIO AND TELEVISION CARRIED
ANNOUNCEMENT LAST NIGHT.) CHARGE THEN MADE TWO PRINCIPAL
POINTS TO FORMIN:

A) GOT'S REFERENCE TO FOREIGN TROOPS IN SOUTH KOREA SEEMED
TO MEAN USG TROOPS, WHICH HUH EXPLAINED WERE THERE PURSUANT TO
BILATERAL TREATY; AND

B) UN COMMAND IN SOUTH KOREA AS RESULT SECURITY COUNCIL
RESOLUTION, AND ROK WILLING TO ABIDE BY ANY NEW DECISION TAKEN
BY SECURITY COUNCIL AFTER DUE REVIEW OF KOREAN SITUATION.
HUNLEDE'S RESPONSE WAS THAT "THERE IS NO FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN
NATIONS - ONLY NATIONAL INTERESTS."

4. CHARGE TOLD ME FORMIN ACTING SECRETARY GENERAL TIGOUÉ HAD
CALLED ON HIM AT HOME LAST NIGHT TO EXPRESS PERSONAL SYMPATHY
AND HOPE THEY WOULD MEET AS DIPLOMATS POSTED ELSEWHERE
ABROAD (REFTEL B).

5. HUH ALSO TOLD ME THAT, WITHIN TWO HOURS OF PRESIDENT'S
RETURN TO TOGO SEPTEMBER 13, TOGO-PRESSE EDITOR APEDO-AMAH, WHO
ACCOMPANIED PRESIDENT ON TRIP TO CHINA AND NORTH KOREA, VISITED
HUH AT HOME. APEDO-AMAH ADVISED CHARGE OF FOLLOWING POINTS IN
GOT-NORTH KOREAN ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT:

A) THREE TO FIVE BILLION CFA (DOLS 12.5-21 M.) LOAN FOR
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 03 LOME 02156 182124Z

IRRIGATION PROJECTS;

B) FIVE HUNDRED MILLION CFA (DOLS 2.08 M.) LOAN FOR TWO
AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT PLANTS;

C) TEN-MAN ECONOMIC MISSION TO ARRIVE TOGO LATE SEPTEMBER;
AND

D) ASSISTANCE, INCLUDING ADVISORS, IN DEVELOPMENT OF RPT PARTY SCHOOL TO TRAIN POLITICAL CADRES. APEDO-AMAH TOLD CHARGE HE COULD NOT PROVIDE COPY OF AGREEMENT BECAUSE PRESIDENT WANTED TO WITHHOLD PUBLICATION. PRESIDENT PARTICULARLY DID NOT WANT WESTERN DONORS TO KNOW DETAILS OF AGREEMENT.

6. HUH SAID FRENCH AMBASSADOR AND DEAN CAMPREDON HAD INVITED HIM TO CALL TODAY TO EXPRESS SYMPATHY. CAMPREDON HAS PROMISED TO HOST FAREWELL RECEPTION FOR CHARGE.

7. SEPTELS BEING PREPARED ON LAST NIGHT'S HOUR-LONG TELEVISION EXTRAVAGANZA COVERING EYADEMA'S ARRIVAL AND SPEECH IN PYONGYANG, AS WELL AS DISTORTED ACCOUNT IN TODAY'S TOGO-PRESSE OF HISTORY OF KOREAN PROBLEM.

8. ACCORDING TO APEDO-AMAH, NORTH KOREANS PRESSED THROUGHOUT TOGOLESE VISIT FOR BREAK IN RELATIONS WITH ROK, AND HUNLEDE TRIED UNSUCCESSFULLY TO MAINTAIN GOT RESISTANCE.

9. COMMENT: NORTH KOREA HAS MESMERIZED GOT. THIS DEVELOPMENT, COUPLED WITH EYADEMA'S MEETING WITH SIHANOUK IN PEKING AND HIS REFERENCE TO VIETNAM IN PYONGYANG SPEECH, PORTEND OTHER GOT POSITIONS IN UNGA IN CONFLICT WITH OUR OWN. (THIS SPEECH BEING COVERED SEPTTEL.)

10 ON DOMESTIC PLANE, GOT AGREEMENT TO DEVELOP PARTY SCHOOL TO TRAIN POLITICAL CADRES HAS IMPORTANT IMPLICATIONS FOR TOGO'S INTERNAL POLITICS.
RAWLS

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS INTERRUPTION
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 18 SEP 1974
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: cunninfx
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1974LOME02156
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D740262-0067
From: LOME
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1974/newtext/t19740936/aaaabdzx.tel
Line Count: 144
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION AF
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 3
Previous Channel Indicators:
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: (A) LOME 2137; (B) LOME 2050 (NOTAL)
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: cunninfx
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 30 APR 2002
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <30 APR 2002 by ifshinsr>; APPROVED <07 MAR 2003 by cunninfx>
Review Markings:

Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
30 JUN 2005

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: TOGOLESE GOVERNMENT'S BREAK WITH SOUTH KOREA
TAGS: PFOR, TO, KS, KN
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005